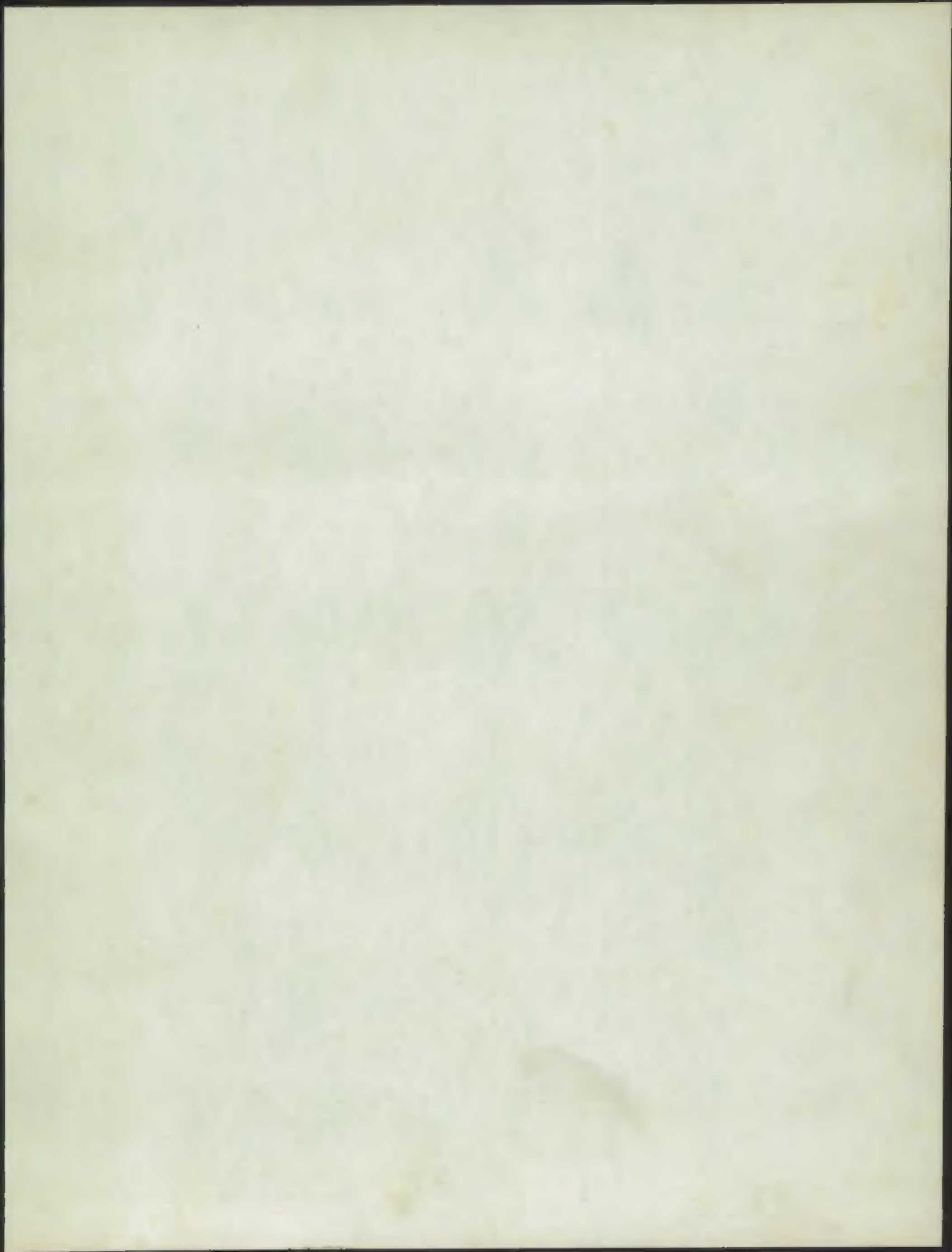




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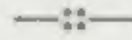
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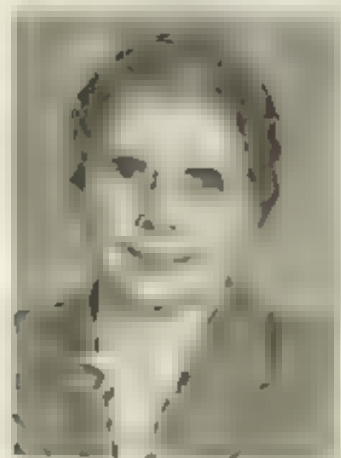
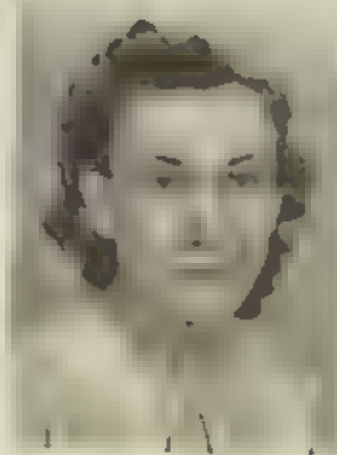
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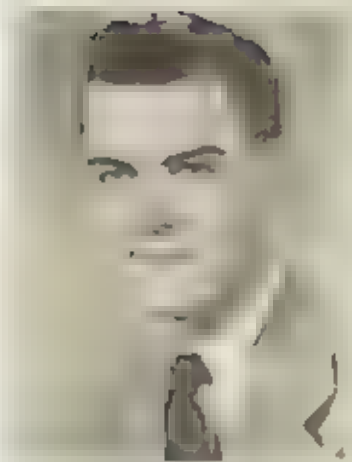


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Bud Alden



Bob Babbitt



Duane Black



Carl Bovard



Patty Butler



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Cedric Dowell



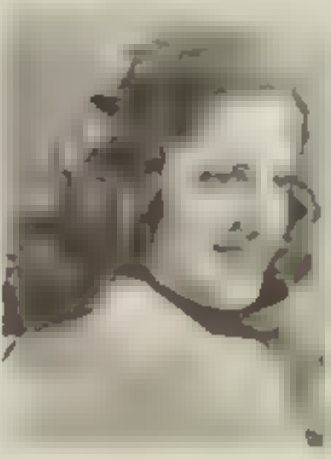
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Betty Hite



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DUANE BLACK

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CARL MORTON BOVARD

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PATRICIA ANN BUTLER

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DELORIS VIVIAN EATON

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MARY ADELINE ETHINGTON

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PAULINE FULLERTON

D. A. R.	1	4
Class Officer	1	4
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GENE CASPER GINTHER

Mixed Chorus	-----	4
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ELMER LEE HOWARD

Manager	1-4
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BETTY JEAN HITE

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RAY EUGENE LOCK

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HAROLD McCLURE

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MARY ELLEN McVAY

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DONALD LYLE MYERS

Basketball	2-3-4
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MERLIN L. NICHOLS, JR.

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Boys' Chorus	1-2-3-4
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"Prunella"	4
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Basketball Manager	1-3-4
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F. F. A	4
F. F. A	3-4
T. N. T	1-2
Student Council	2
Class Officer	1-2
Track	4

BERNARD MATTHEW O'DONNELL

Poomerang Staff	4
"Prunella"	4
Varsity Club	4
Basketball & Track Manager	2

ROBERTA ANN POWELL

Girls' Chorus	1-2-3-4
Mixed Chorus	1-2-3-4
Smear Staff	1-2-3-4
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GLENN AUSTIN REED

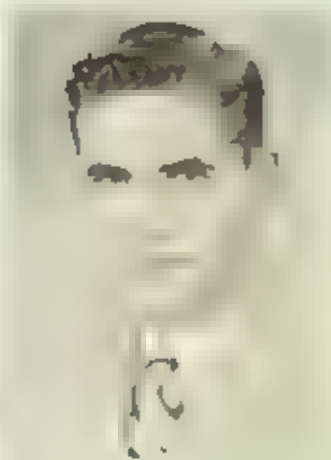
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Ray Lock



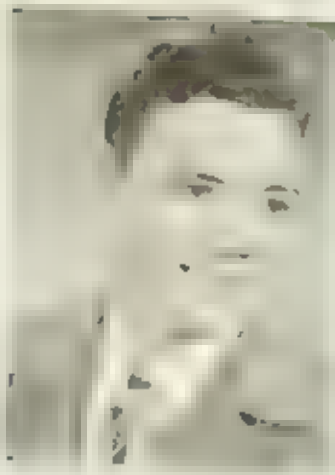
Harold McClure



Mary McVay



Anita Moon



Donny Myers



Merlin Nichols



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Edna



Alberta Rehm



Bill Sailer



Lois Smith



Dick Suter



John Wall





Eddy Warren



Marjorie Whisler



Dale Williams



Shirley Woltzen



Lyle Wright



Wanda Arnold



Virginia Hampton



LOIS NANETTE SMICK

Mixed Chorus	1 2 4
Girls' Chorus	1 2 4
Mixed Ensemble	
Band	
Drum Ensemble	
Library	
Cheer Leader	
Varsity Club	
T. N. T.	
Girls' Basketball	
Girls' State	
Band Sec. and I	
Class Officer	
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"Prunella"	
Smear Staff	
Smear Editor	
Boomerang Staff	
Boomerang Assistant	

RICHARD DEAN SUTER

Football	1 2 3 4
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"Prunella"	
V. F. A.	
F. F. A.	1 2 3 4
Class Officer	
F. F. A. Officer	3 4
Boomerang	4

JOHN HOWARD WALL

Mixed Chorus	1 4
Boys' Chorus	4
"Love Your Neighbor"	4
"Prunella"	4
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Varsity Club	4 4
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F. F. A.	

EDWIN ERNEST WARREN

F. F. A.	1-2-3-4
F. F. A. Officer	
Class	2

MARJORIE ANN WHISLER

Girls' Chorus	1 2 3 4
Mixed Chorus	1 2 3 4
"Love Your Neighbor"	
"Prunella"	
F. H. A.	1 2 3 4
President of F. H. A.	
Student Council	
Girls' Basketball	1 2 3 4
Twirler	1 2 3 4
Secretary of F. H. A.	
Class Officer	

DALE WILLIAMS

Mixed Chorus	4
F. F. A.	4
F. F. A.	4
Varsity Club	4
T. N. T.	4

SHIRLEY WOLTZEN

Mixed Chorus	4
Girls' Chorus	4
"Prunella"	4

EVERETT LYLE WRIGHT

Mixed Chorus	4
Boys' Chorus	2 4
Boomerang Staff	4
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"Prunella"	4

WANDA LEE ARNOLD

Mixed Chorus	4
Girls' Chorus	4
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VIRGINIA HAMPTON

Mixed Chorus	1 2 3 4
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Student Council	4

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SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Pauline Fullerton	President
Harold McClure	Vice President
Eud Alden	Secretary & Treasurer

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WHO'S WHO

Hair	Betty Hite
Physique	Virginia Hampton
Personality	Lois Smick
Neatness	Pauline Fullerton
Talk	Alberta Rehm
Inquisitiveness	Anita Moon
Musical	Mary McVay
Dancing	Adeline Ethington
Neatness	Bud Alden
Poise	Charles Cannon
Hands	Cedric Dowell
Stydious	Lyle Wright
Teeth	Ray Lock
Laugh	Dick Suter
Smile	Marjorie Whistler
Wolfing	Ray Carrico
Physique	Dale Williams
Talk	Carl Bovard



LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT



We, the Senior Class of 1948 A. D., being in a satisfactory state of mind and faculties to enter a legal will, do hereby bequeath our problems to the following classmen

FIRST: We, as a class, bequeath our problems to the sophomores provided they use them as we did

SECOND: We bequeath our conduct to the juniors as they need it badly

In addition, we bequeath the following to individuals

I, Bud Alden, do will and bequeath my wolfish techniques to Leroy Adolphson with the hope that he uses it to better advantages than I did, if he thinks he can''''

I, Wanda Arnold, do will and bequeath my riding ability to Billy Anderson with the understanding that HE tames HIS horse

I, Bob Babbitt, do will and bequeath my "wise" answers in history class to Joan Heuter with the understanding that she won't day-dream as much as I did

I, Duane Black, do will and bequeath my car to Eugene Blount so HE can take some adventurous rides as he has always wanted to do

I, Carl Bovard, do will and bequeath my Latin knowledge to Paul McVay.

I, Patty Butler, do will and bequeath my habit of being late to class to Marlene Mitchell with the mutual understanding that she makes her classes faster than I did

I, Charlex Cannon, do will and bequeath my bashfulness to Wayne Hampton 'Nuf said''''

I, Ray Carrico, do will and bequeath my "ambitious attitude" to Dave Luper.

I, Cedric Dowell, do will and bequeath my ways with the girls to Bob Baker

I, Delbert Eichen, do will and bequeath my scotch and tonic to Roy Woods hoping he makes good use of them

I, Adeline Ethington, do will and bequeath my drum major cap to Jerry Hatch

I, Pauline Fullerton, do will and bequeath my leadership ability to anyone who can use it

I, Gene Ginther, do will and bequeath my ability to throw the discus to Bill Bivens and hope he has as much success as I've had

I, Virginia Hampton, do will and bequeath my ways with the college boys to Verna Bovard and I hope you have as much luck as I've had

I, Betty Hite, do will and bequeath my well-cared-for hair to Fern Duncan

I, Elmer Howard do will and bequeath my ability for skipping school and hunting to Kenny Alden with the hope that he gets bigger game than I did

I, Ray Lock, do will and bequeath my Sophomore "girls" to the oncoming senior boys with the hope that they have as much fun as I've had

I, Harold McClure, do will and bequeath my naps in Mrs. Davis' study halls to Ernie Rapp with the sincere wish that he gets by with them as well as I did

I, Mary Ellen McVay, do will and bequeath my musical abilities to Clarice Watson. Make good use of it Clarice''

I, Anita Moon, do will and bequeath my trombone ability to Hod O'Hern.

I, Donny Myers, do will and bequeath my "country style" walk to Marilyn Sorrells. You'll probably have to practice some.

I, Merlin Nichols, do will and bequeath my inflammable temper to Martha Helen Davis

I, Barney O'Donnell, do will and bequeath my "careful driving" to Carl Ehresman, with the understanding that he always have good brakes

I, Roberta Powell, do will and bequeath my "dainty" feet to Janene Allison, but hope her's never get quite as large as mine.

I, Glenn Reed, do will and bequeath my freckles and red hair to Bob Hook, with the hope that he is NEVER called "carrot-top."

I, Alberta Reihm, do will and bequeath my ability to talk longer than anyone else to Donald Timmerman so he can use it for the history debate next year

I, Bill Sailer, do will and bequeath my freshmen girls to Arnold Rossell

I, Skip Smick, do will and bequeath my love for cheerleading to Blanche Young

I, Dick Suter, do will and bequeath my arguing ability to Jim Hendel

I, John Wall, do will and bequeath my incorrect physics problems to Jackie Luper

I, Shirley Woltzen, do will and bequeath my Peoria "friends" to Norma Jones

I, Eddie Warren, do will and bequeath my liking for farming to Tom Williamson.

I, Margie Whisler, do will and bequeath my famous giggle to Carol Lee. You're too quiet, Carol'

I, Dale Williams, do will and bequeath my sense of humor to Caroline Allen

I, Lyle Wright, do will and bequeath my "A's" to Irvin Nelson

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: We, the class of 1948 affix our seal this 26th day of May, in the year of our Lord, 1948

Signed,

THE SENIOR CLASS

WITNESSED BY

Betty Hite

Skip Smick

Carl Bovard

Merlin Nichols (Chairman)

SENIOR CLASS PROPHECY

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It is May 1, 1966. Mr. M. B. Alden is sitting in their home in Avon, Illinois. Bud is now a retired business man, having retired at the age of 18. Mrs. Alden is, of course, the former Lois Smick. The Aldens have been blessed with ten children.

Bud turns on the television set and dials to a program that is having its opening tonight. We hear the announcer speaking —

"Ladies and gentlemen, this program is to tell you what has happened to the Senior class of 1948.

Anita Moon and Donny Myers furnish their own musical arrangements for this program.

(Music)

The scene first goes to Washington, D. C., where Senator Richard ("Greenbush, That Is") Suter is filibustering on the vital issue "Cornless Corn Cob Pipes for Farmers," he is being prompted by his "right hand" secretary, Deloris Eaton. In the gallery, hanging on to his every word, we find those four respected farmers, representing the Avon community, the Misters Bill Sailer, Edwin Warren, Glenn Reed, and Duane Black. These men have large land interests in the Middle West.

In the next gallery we find that Farm Bureau Expert, Mr. Ray Lock, who, it is rumored, advises the President on farm matters. Mr. Harold McClure, known as "Cattle Mac," was unable to attend this session because he was unexpectedly called to oversee his interests in Arabia.

Mr. John Wall is also present. Mr. Wall as you know is in Washington to be cited by the President for his noted discovery of the 8th day in the week, now known to everyone as Grunsday.

The scene changes to Pumphandle University; here we shall look in on a faculty meeting. There seems to be a disagreement. The two English professors, the Misses P. A. V. and H. A. G. the Professors of English, Miss Fullerton, are disagreeing with the Agriculture professor, Merlin Nichols, on the subject of horsewhipping of students. There is a deadlock; then the coach, Ray Carrico, the brilliant graduate from Knox, comes striding in. Putting down his crutches and straightening his bifocals, he utters a statement that is to be remembered the world around—"Hello."—And so we leave good old P. U. Long may she prosper.

(Music)

This program is brought to you through the courtesy of the Babbitt Implement Company in St. Paul, Minnesota.—"It's a good habit to trade with Babbitt."—

We interrupt this program to bring you a news flash—there has been a tragic fire in Babylon, Illinois. It is due to the heroism of the following people that there was a death toll of 0. The fire was reported by an alert secretary, Shirley Woltzen, who, being on the fortieth floor in her own business establishment, happened to look out the window and noticed flames shooting out of the floor below. She immediately called the main operator of the city, Adeline Ethington, who, after many hours of heart-rending work notified all of the officials.

In five minutes, Dale "Burn 'Em Down" Williams arrived at the scene and put out the fire single handed. There were many injured people who were treated by that heroic trio of nurses, Wanda Arnold, Margie Whisler, and Mary McVay. Darting from burning corner to burning corner, all during the tragic incident, was that daring, adventurous reporter, Charles "Fearless" Cannon.

Anxiously watching the scene were two bankers, Gene Ginther and Carl Bovard whose bank was next door. And in the burning building were the offices of their biggest client, Elmer Howard, who was now co-owner of Nichols and Howard

Now back to our program—the scene now changes to Dry Gulch, Arizona, where we find the former Betty Hite happily married and living on a ranch. Order is kept in Dry Gulch by Barney "Hang 'Em Dead" O'Donnell, and his deputy, Cedric "Sherlock" Dowell. Miss Patty Butler is now living on her large estate where she raises rattlesnakes for a hobby

We could gather no information on Alberta Rehm since her disappearance on the night of graduation. The last we saw of her she leaped from the schoolhouse, yelled "Whoopie" and galloped off on her horse Silver

This is your ACHS radio announcer, Lyle Wright, signing off. The script this evening was written by John Wall, Lyle Wright, Pauline Fullerton, and Alberta Rehm

Remember, try Pea and Paul's Little Pink Pills For Puny People. Good night, all

CLASSES









JUNIOR CLASS

Bottom Row (l. to r.): Miss Hughes, advisor; Marlene Mitchell, Lois Myers, Donna Shultz, Norma Jones, Mildred Browne, Mr. Slayton, advisor

Second Row (l. to r.): Martha Foster, Elsie McVey, Margaret Wilson, Lois Simmons, Caroline Allen, Carole Huston, Jackie Luper, Mary Lois Murphy

Third Row (l. to r.): Donald Timmerman, Eugene Blount, Kenny Alden, Bob Randall, Dan Williamson, Hod O'Hern, George Onion

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Martin Moon, Jim Hendel, Dave Luper, Bob Baker, Roy Woods, LaVern Ross, Ernie Repp

JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Dave Luper—Secretary
Mildred Browne—Vice President
Margaret Wilson—Treasurer
Roy Woods—President

WHO'S WHO

Clothes—Norma Jones
Hands—Lois Myers
Athletic—Elsie McVey
Dancing—Bob Baker
Personality—Hod O'Hern
Smile—Martin Moon
Complexion—LaVern Ross
Lips—Donald Timmerman
Athletic—Bob Randall
Legs—George Onion
Musical—Roy Woods

SOPHOMORE CLASS

First Row (l. to r.): Richard Stearns, Advisor; Marilyn Sorrells, Cynthia Sailer, Marilyn Nichols, Shirley Vernoy, Darlene Hillman, Eloise Salisbury, Miss Barbara Bull, Advisor

Second Row (l. to r.): Joan Inman, Harriet Jennings, Carol Lee, Mary Parker, Clarice Watson, Evelyn Johnson, Verna Bovard, Joan Reuter

Third Row (l. to r.): Martha Davis, Marvin Johnson, Ronald Holsinger, Gloria Jennings, Louis Moon, Donald Browne, Paul McVay, Frances Ray

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Doris Gillett, Rosalie Bivens, Phyllis House, Carl Ehresman, Tommy Williamson, Bob Hook, Fern Duncan, Joan Waggy

SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

President—Verna Bovard

Vice President—Tommy Williamson

Sec. and Treas.—Evelyn Johnson

WHO'S WHO

Wolfing—Clarice Watson

Legs—Martha Davis

Eyes—Darlene Hillman

Let's—Verna Bovard

Artistic—Joan Reuter

Hair—Bob Hook

Inquisitiveness—Louis Moon

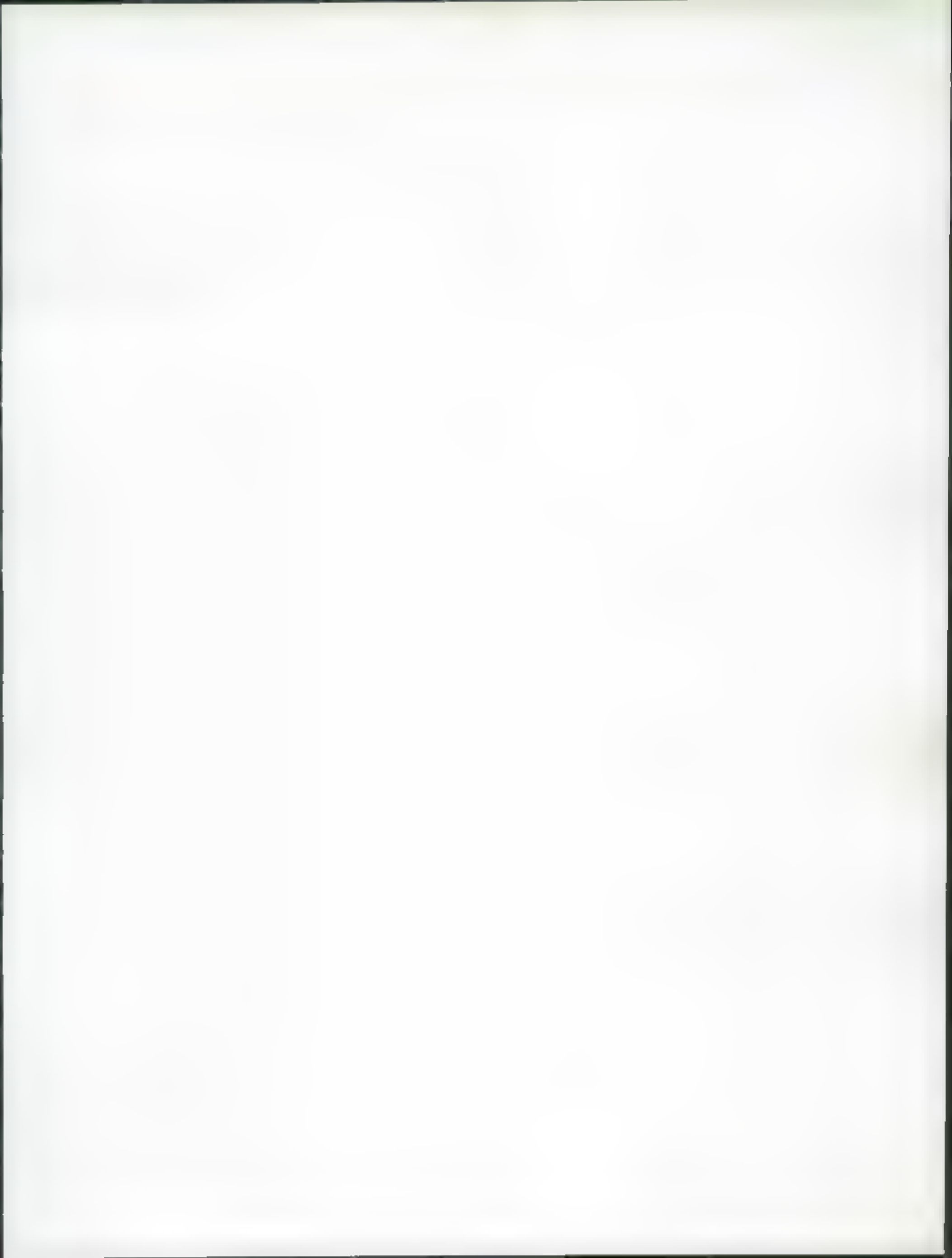
Eyes—Marvin Johnson

Shyness—Roland Holsinger

Poise—H. Jennings









FRESHMAN CLASS

Bottom Row (l. to r.): Mrs. Davis, advisor; Janene Allison, Paul Sailer, Lola Singleton, Mrs. Lawson, advisor

Second Row (l. to r.): Betty Batson, Darlene Black, Blanche Young, Geraldine Hillman, Bill Bivens, Leroy Adolpson

Third Row (l. to r.): Betty Onion, Richard Asquith, Bruce Dempsey, Ernest Blount, Jerry Hatch, Keith Wagy, Marjorie Deets

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Helen Smith, Shirley Myers, Willa Mae Parker, Joan Murphy, Ordeth Reuter, Joan Feilder, Norma Schrodt

Fifth Row (l. to r.): Marlene Wagy, Arnold Rossell, Irvin Nelson, Junior Wayne, Wayne Hampton, Bill Anderson, Retha Wilson

FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

Shirley Myers—President

Junior Wagy—Vice-President

Darlene Black—Treasurer

Marilyn Ruhl—Secretary

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WHO'S WHO

Stydious—Joan Murphy

Laugh—Blanche Young

Artistic—Wayne Hampton

Wayne—Marjorie Deets

Lips—Shirley Myers

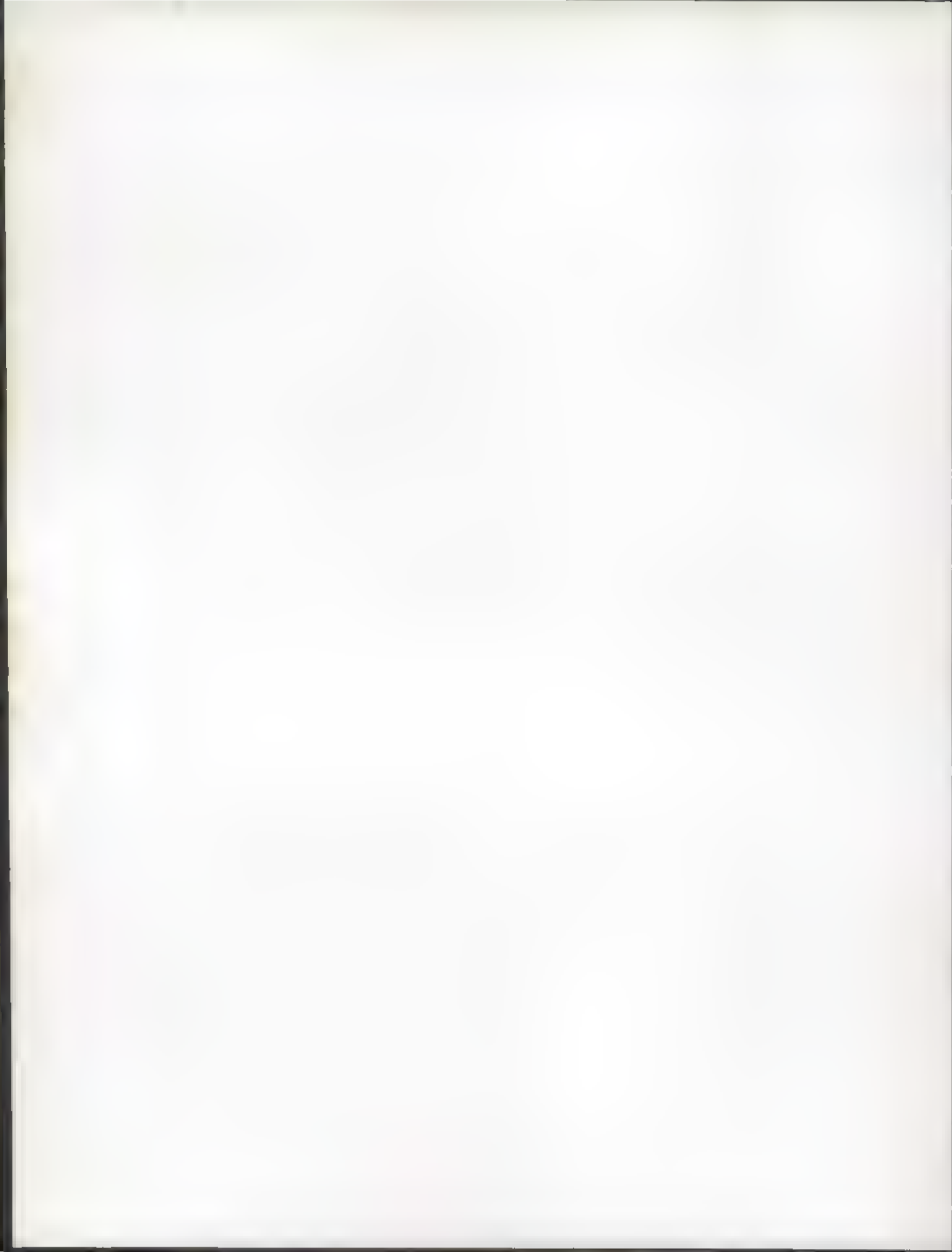
Complexion—Darlene Black

Clothes—Junior Wagy



ATHLETICS





BASKETBALL

The basketball season of 1947-'48 was quite successful. The team had a hard schedule, yet were the victors in 20 out of 25 games. Among the honors captured in tournaments were the first place honors in both the Little Six Conference and the Fulton County Tournament. In the Sectional Tournament they lost to a strong Macomb team. The team played clean fast ball and could overcome most obstacles. The only problem to the team was the fast break. Many newspapers in the state recognized the Avon Trojans as one of the best teams in this area. The senior players the team will lose are Ray Carrico, Harold McClure, Don Myers and Bud Alden, who was the 1947-'48 honorary captain.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Avon	1	London Mills	1
Avon	26	Knoxville	4
Avon	11	Fairview	29
Avon	11	Roseville	28
Avon	20	Pushnell	34
Avon	17	Stronghurst	34
Avon	17	Aledo	25
Avon	15	V I T	36
Avon	11	Roseville	36 (overtime)
Avon	10	Alexis	10
Avon	29	Cuba	28
Avon	6	Knoxville	22
Avon	17	Astoria	26
Avon	31	Farmington	30 County Tournament
Avon	20	Cuba	26
Avon	62	Bardolph	13
Avon	12	Aledo	27
Avon	29	Prairie City	22
Avon	13	Abingdon	27
Avon	23	Corpus Christi	53
Avon	14	Alexis	26
Avon	16	Astoria	29
Avon	17	Abingdon	39 (overtime)
Avon	1	Colchester	38 Regional Tournament
Avon	9	Macomb	10
Total Points	172	Total Points	171

* Indicates Little 6 opponent

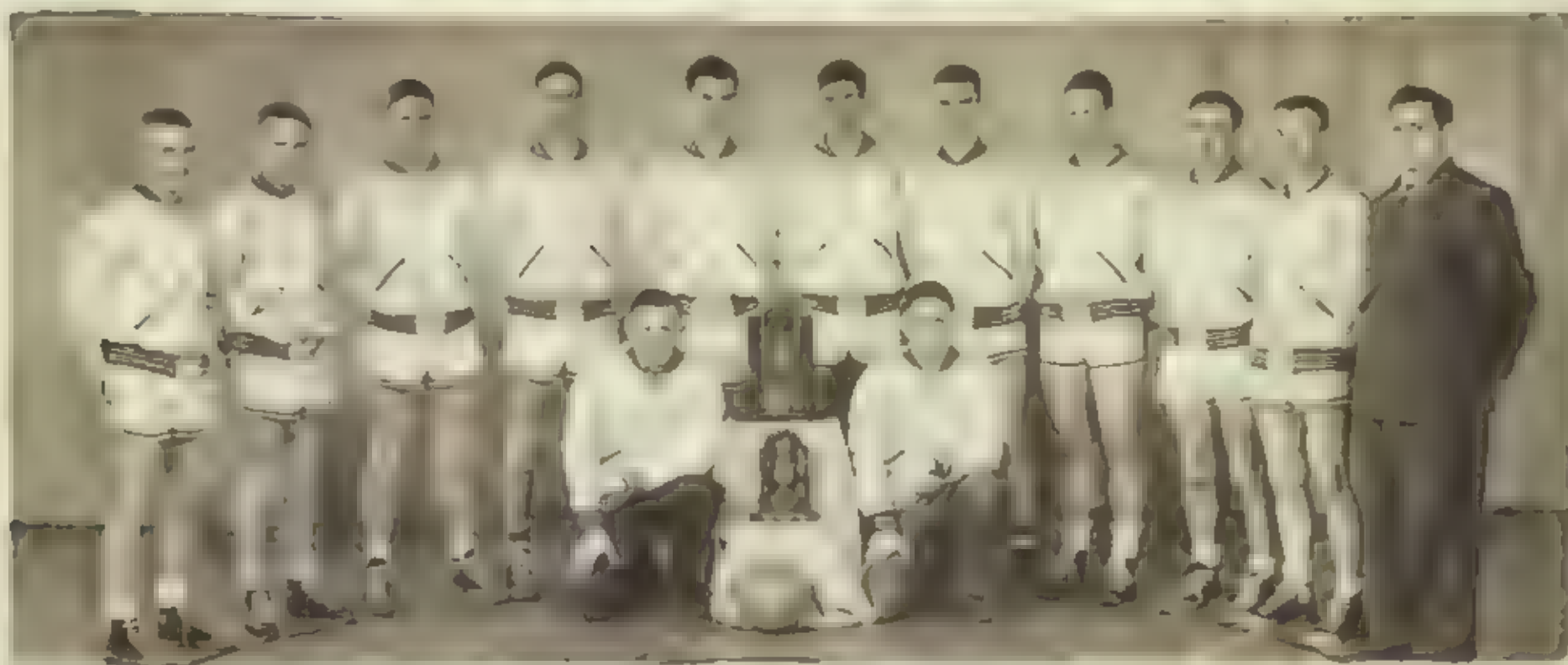
FOOTBALL

The 1947 football season wasn't too successful according to the record; 3 won, 2 tied, and 4 lost, but in spirit and knowledge gained, it was a good season. In September the team played their first foe under the new lights in Simmons field. The squad had a disadvantage during the whole season due to the fact that many players were injured. At the end of the season the two best games, played with Abingdon and Stronghurst, ended the season. These were tough squads and our team had many on the list of injuries, yet Avon emerged the victor. They captured fourth place honor in the Little Six. We lose many valuable senior players: Bud Alden, Harold McClure, Merlin Nichols, Dick Suter, John Wall, Ray Carrico, Duane Black, Dale Williams, Ray Lock, Donny Myers, Glenn Reed, and Cedric Dowell. Because of injuries and illness, six of the seniors served as captains at some time during the season. They were Ray Lock, Bud Alden, H. McClure, M. Nichols, D. Suter, and R. Carrico.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date			
Sept. 12.....	Avon	6	Bushnell26.....Here
Sept. 19.....	Avon	20	Cuba There
Sept. 26.....	Avon	0	Macomb 0.....Here
Oct. 3.....	Avon	0	Roseville13.....There
Oct. 9.....	Avon	6	Aledo42.....Here
Oct. 17.....	Avon	19	Knoxville 27.....Here
Oct. 24.....	Avon	6	Alexis 6.....Here
Oct. 31.....	Avon	19	Abingdon 17.....There
Nov. 7	Avon	21	Stronghurst 7.....There





FOOTBALL

First Row (l. to r.): Joe A. H. for head of the football team, Ken A. for Don A. Allen, Gleen Reed, Tom Williamson, Manager

Second Row (l. to r.): Merlin Nichols, George Onion, Dan Williamson, Duane Black, Bob Randall, Ernie Repp, Martin Moon, John Wall, Richard Stearns, Coach

Third Row (l. to r.): Ray Carrico, Ray Lock, Harold McClure, Lavern Ross, Cedric Dowell, Bud Alden, Dick Suter, Carl Ehresman, Eugene Blount

BASKETBALL "A" SQUAD

First Row (l. to r.): Merlin Nichols, Dan Williamson, Managers

Second Row (l. to r.): Ernie Repp, Ken Alden, Harold McClure, Bob Baker, Bud Alden, Dave Luper, Martin Moon, Ray Carrico, Bob Randall, George Onion, Dick Stearns Coach

BASKETBALL "B" SQUAD

First Row (l. to r.): Bill Bivens, Dick Asquith, Paul McVay, Keith Wagy, Leroy Adolphson

Second Row (l. to r.): Marvin Johnson, Manager; Hod O'Hern, Don Myers, Ervin Nelson, James Hendel, Carl Ehresman, Bill Anderson, Junior Wagy, Donald Browne, Wayne Hampton, Manager

FOOTBALL

First Row (kneeling): John Wall, LaVern Ross, Dick Suter, Merlin Nichols, Eugene Blount, Harold McClure, Bud Alden

Second Row: Ernie Repp

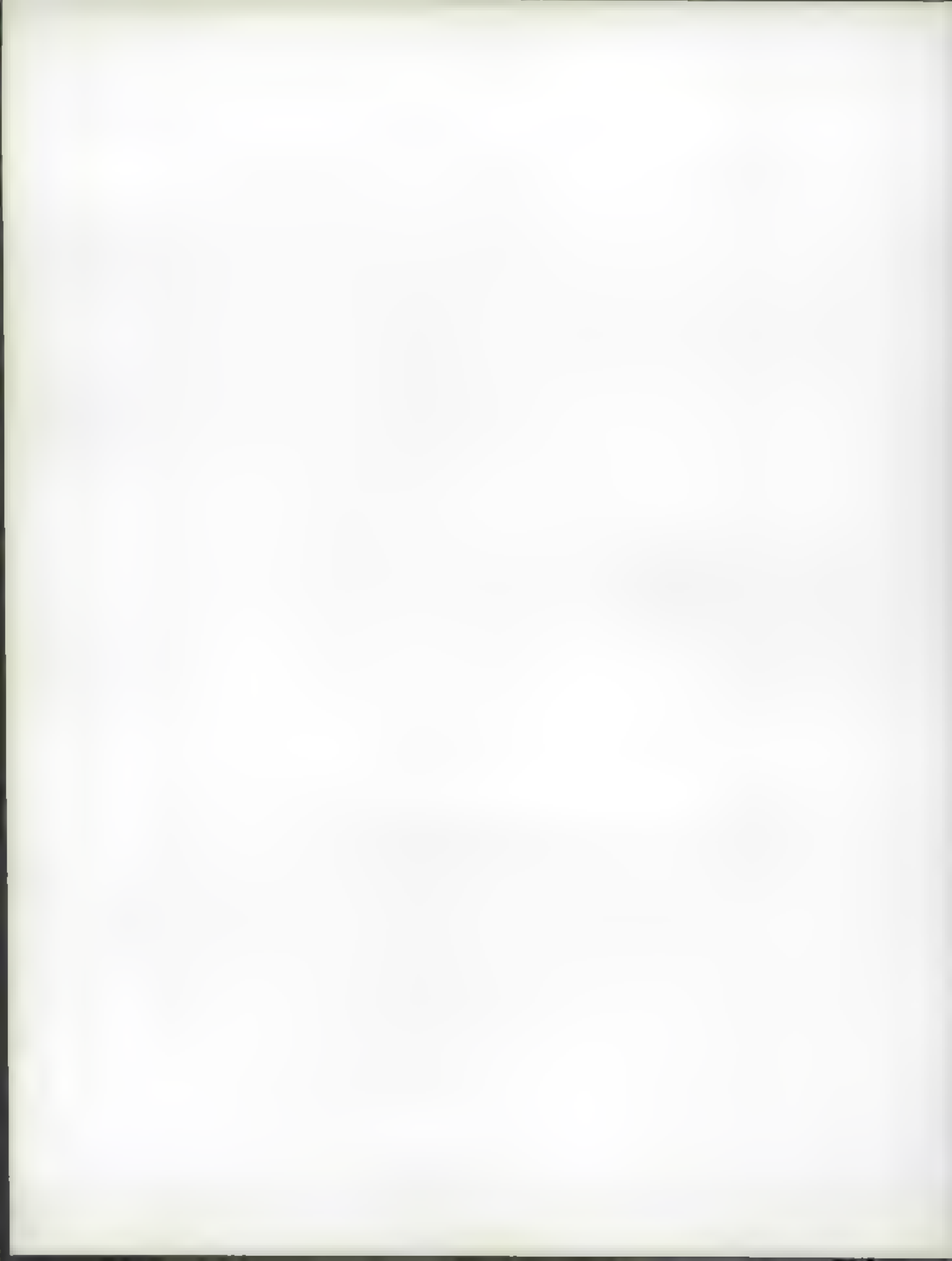
Third Row (standing): Ray Carrico, Bob Randall, Duane Black

BASKETBALL

Top Row: David Luper, Ernest Repp, Bob Baker, Bob Randall, Bud Alden

Second Row: Kenny Alden, Martin Moon, Don Myers, Ray Carrico, George Onion







ACTIVITIES



BAND

The band played this year at our home football games under the direction of Royce Davis. On February 16th the annual Fulton County Band Festival was held at Canton. Each of the bands present played two selections. Following this on the program was the mass band which was formed by the combination of all the bands. This band was directed by Kenneth Kincheloe, of Bradley University. The District Band Contest was held in Canton, on April the 10th.

CHORUS

The home vocal contest was held March 15th to select the singers who represented us in the district contest on April 3rd.

Those chosen were

Girls' High Voice.....	Evelyn Johnson
	Adeline Ethington
Girls' Medium Voice.....	Mary Ellen McVay
	Joann Reuter
Girls' Low Voice.....	Shirley Vernon
Boys' High Voice.....	Roy Woods
Boys' Medium Voice.....	Howard O'Hern

Evelyn Johnson and Martha Davis were chosen from the six pianists to represent us in the district contest.

Anita Moon and Evelyn Johnson the two violinists, also went to the district contest.

On March 30th, the Chorus went to the Chorus Festival held in Farmington to sing in a massed chorus of the schools gathered there.

JUNIOR-SENIOR CHORUS

First Row (l. to r.): Mrs. Hatch, Director; Marjorie Whisler, Alberta Reihm, Delores Eaton, Lyle Wright, Ernie Repp, Dale Williams, Betty Hite, Mildred Browne, Mary McVay, Adeline Ethington.

Second Row (l. to r.): Marlene Mitchell, Norma Jones, Mary Murphy, Roberta Powell, Hod O'Hern, Ray Lock, Merlin Nichols, Donny Myers, Patty Butler, Wanda Arnold, Shirley Woltzen, Martha Foster, Lois Myers.

Third Row (l. to r.): Jackie Luper, Elsie McVey, Carol Houston, Gene Ginther, Dan Williamson, Ray Carrico, Carl Bovard, John Wall, Lois Simmons, Virginia Hampton, Lois Smick.

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Margaret Wilson, Anita Moon, James Hendel, Bob Baker, Bud Alden, Dave Luper, Cedric Dowell, Charles Cannon, Roy Woods, Pauline Fullerton, Caroline Allen.

BAND

First Row (l. to r.): Marlene Mitchell, Lois Myers, Jackie Luper, Tommy Williamson, Clarice Watson, Mary McVay.

Second Row (l. to r.): Carol Lee, Alberta Reihm, Norma Jones, Shirley Vernoy, Sarah Butler, Paul McVay, Patty Butler, Merlin Nichols.

Third Row (l. to r.): David Sharp, Bonita Snapp, Janene Allison, Martha Helen Davis, Rosalie Bivens, Shirley Myers, James Hendel, Roy Woods, Dick Suter, David Luper, Jerry Hatch, Anita Moon, Donny Myers.

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Pam Fullerton, Lois Smick, Martha Foster, Roberta Powell, Danny Williamson, Royce Davis, Band Instructor.

FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE CHORUS

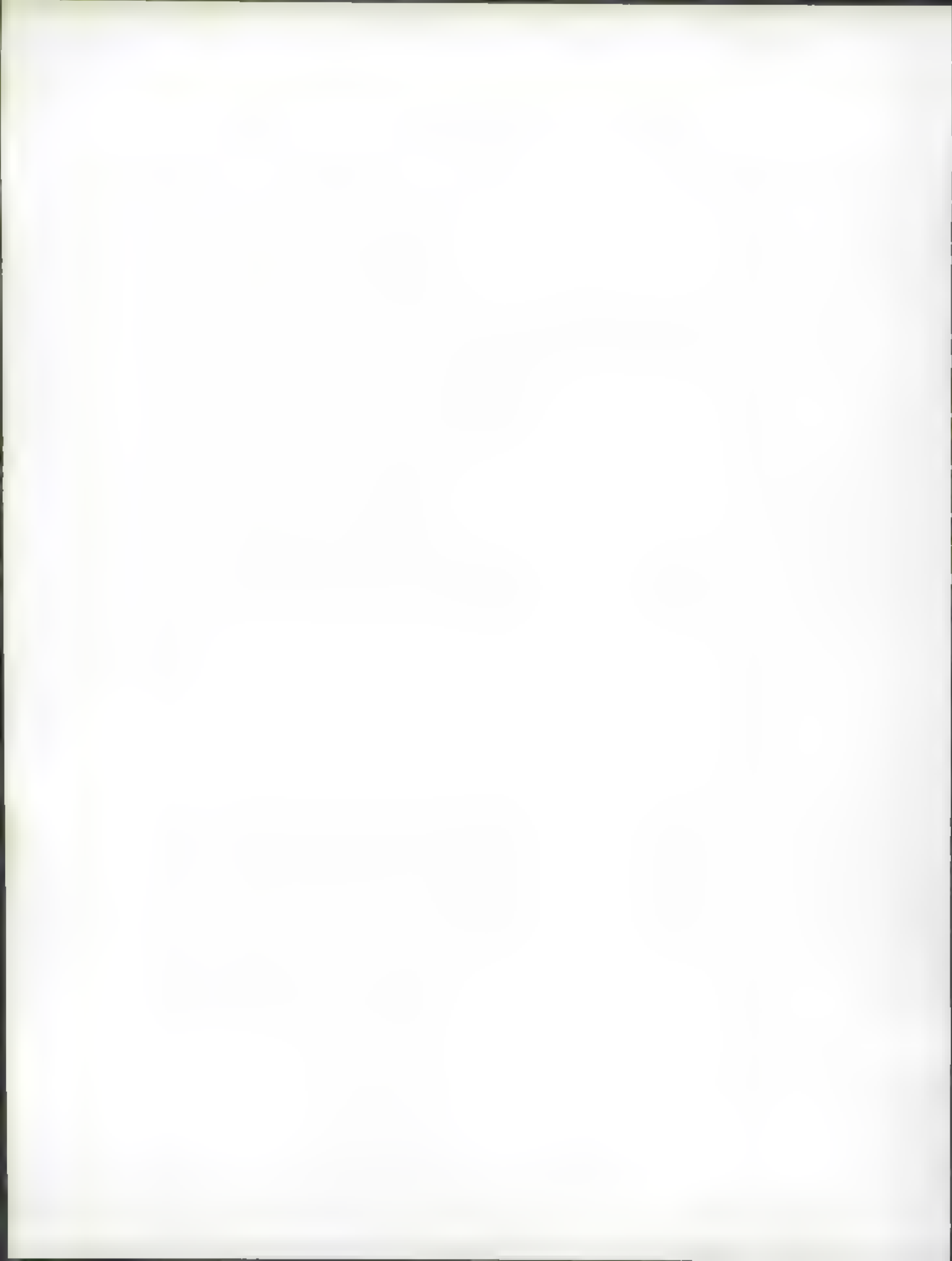
First Row (l. to r.): Janene Allison, Shirley Vernoy, Marilyn Nichols, Joan Reuter, Leroy Adolphson, Mrs. Hatch, Instructor, Bill Eivins, Betty Onion, Geraldine Hillman, Betty Batson, Darlene Hillman.

Second Row (l. to r.): Betty Young, Donna Frank, Marlene Deets, Cynthia Schell, Dick Asquith, Paul McVay, Will Mae Parker, Clarice Watson, Evelyn Johnson, Verna Bovard.

Third Row (l. to r.): Betty Smith, Frances Ray, Sandra Meyer, Donna Browne, Mary Johnson, Jerry Hatch, Carol Lee, Martha Davis, Mary Parker.

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Rosalie Bivins, Marlene Wagy, Joan Murphy, Wayne Hampton, Tommy Williamson, Carl Ehresman, Junior Wagy, Irvin Nelson, Joan Wagy, Retha Wilson, Ordeth Reuter.





CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

BY

AVON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS

Thursday Evening, Dec. 18, 1947 — 8 o'clock

- 'Processional"—(O Come All Ye Faithful).....Latin Hymn
- 'March of the Kings" (Mixed Chorus).....French Folk Melody
- The First Christmas Story (Virginia Hampton).....Luke 2 8-14
- Solo—"O Holy Night" (Adeline Ethington)Adam
- The Star" Polish Carol
- Rise Up Shepherds and Foller" (Jr. and Sr. Girls' Chorus).....Negro Spiritual
- Musical Reading—"The Shepherds in Judea" (Roberta Powell).....Mary Austin
- Reading (Lois Myers).....Story of "The Messiah"
- Hallelujah Chorus—"The Messiah" (Mixed Chorus).....Handel
- Solo—"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" (Mary Murphy).....Longfellow
- Reading (Jackie Luper)....."The Choir of God"
- Assisted by Roy Woods, Marlene Mitchell, Lois Smick and Donny Myers
- Solo—"The Christmas Candle" (Mary McVay).....Warren
- The Birthday of a King" (Fr. and Soph. Girls' Chorus).....Neidlinger
- Solo—"Song of Devotion" (Roy Woods).....Old French Carol
- 'Twas the Night Before Christmas" (Mixed Chorus).....Fred Waring Chorus Series
- Recessional—"Joy to the World".....Handel
- Director—Donna L. Hatch
- Reading—Ruby Duffy
- Accompanists—Clara Merrill, Martha Helen Davis, and Clarice Watson
- Decorating Committee — Anita Moon, Beverly Allen, Marjorie Whisler, Shirley Woltzen, Pauline Fullerton, Carl Bovard, Gene Ganther, Merlin Nichols, Lyle Wright, Charles Cannon, John Wall, Dale Williams Cedric Dowell and Ray Lock
- Music and Programs—Patty Hutler, Wanda Arnold, Deloris Eaton, Alberta Reihn and Betty Hite

ANNUAL CONTESTS IN MUSIC

AVON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

Monday Evening, March 15, 194

7 30 o'clock



(GIRLS' HIGH VOICE)

Shepherd, Play a Little Air' (Stickles).....	Evelyn Johnson
Ships of Arcady (Head).....	Adeline Ethington
Down in the Forest (Ronald).....	Joan Murphy
Sicilian Lullaby (Newman).....	Shirley Myers

(GIRLS' MEDIUM VOICE)

"Into the Night" (Edwards).....	Mary Lois Murphy
"Boats of Mine" (Miller).....	Ordeth Reuter
"Dawn" (Curran)	Mary Ellen McVay
A Brown Bird Singing" (Wood).....	Frances Ray
"All for You" (Brown).....	Joann Reuter

(GIRLS' LOW VOICE)

"Daisies" (Hawley).....	Shirley Vernoy
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(PIANO SOLOS)

"The Butterfly" (Merkel).....	Clarice Watson
"Ill Fenseroso" (Heller).....	Anita Moon
"A Dream of Love" (Liszt arr. Thompson).....	Joan Murphy
Day Dreams" (Rasbach)	Frances Ray
Butterfly" (Merkel)	Martha Davis
'Menuet" (Paderewski)	Evelyn Johnson

(BOYS' HIGH VOICE)

Know a Hill" (Whepley).....	Roy Woods
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(BOYS' MEDIUM VOICE)

'The Lamplit Hour" (Penn).....	Carl Ehresman
"O Rest in the Lord" (Mendelssohn).....	Carl Bovard
'Rolling Down to Rio" (German).....	Howard O'Hern

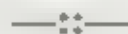
(BOYS' UNCHANGED VOICE)

"Dedication" (Franz)	Jerry Hatch
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(VIOLIN SOLOS)

'Cantabile et Polero" (Danke).....	Evelyn Johnson
'Country Gardens" (Ambrosio)	Anita Moon

FULTON COUNTY BAND FESTIVAL



ALICE INGERSOLL GYMNASIUM

Canton, Illinois

Monday, February 16, 1948

7:30 P. M.

Guest Director—Mr. Kenneth Kincheloe, Bradley University



Liberty Fleet March

Theme from the "Piano Concerto".....Edward Greig
Fairview Community High School
Director—Mr. Paul Vegna

Fighting Irish March.....Paul Yodel
Chapel Shrine.....Leon

V. I. T. Consolidated High School
Director—Mr. L. M. Crockett

Basketball Team March.....Ed. Chenette
Amethyst Overture.....F. L. Buchtel

Lewistown Community High School
Director—Mr. Robert E. Johnson

United Nations March.....K. L. King
Rossmore Overture.....Max Thomas

Cuba Community High School
Director—Mr. Paul F. Brown

Loyalty March.....Skornicka
Kolomes Overture.....Fulton

Avon High School
Director—Mr. Royce Davis

His Honor March.....Henry Fillmore
Lincoln Lyric Overture.....Newell Long

Farmington Community High School
Director—Mr. Newell L. Kessinger

National Emblem March.....F. F. Feltz
Monte Cristo Overture.....Joseph P. Johnson

Canton High School
Director—Mr. Ketric Klingman

MASSED BAND

America.....
Headway March.....Bennett
Cardinal Overture.....Johnson
Valse Triste.....Sibelius
Lee's Favorite March.....Lee

Baton Twirling Exhibition

Simplicity.....Lee
Tea for Two.....Youmans
Connecticut March.....Nassann
Star Spangled Banner

BAND CONCERT



Presented in the

AVON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL GYM



Star Spangled Banner

Connecticut March ----- William Nassann
G. H. Reeves

Kolomea Overture.....James Fulton

Chorale—To Thee We Sing A. V. P. 160

Aurora Overture Paul Yoder

Monarch March Olivadotti

Ten Little Indians (Novelty).....Newell H. Long

Valae Triste Sibellus
Arr. by Yodel

Drumnaastics Buchtel

Begin the Beguine.....Cole Porter
Arr. by Teague

Desert Song.....Sigmund Romberg
Arr. by Bennett

PLATE 11





DRUM MAJORETTE

Ageline Ethington

TWIRLERS

Evelyn Johnson

Virginia Welsh

Frances Kay

CHIEF LEADERS

Jack Thompson

Frances Johnson

Virginia Welsh

Frances Kay

SMEAR STAFF

Sitting (l. to r.): Virginia Hampton, Alberta Reihm, Martha Davis, advisor; Jackie Luper, Assistant Editor; Lois Smick, Editor; Roberta Powell, Pauline Fullerton

Second Row (l. to r.): Cynthia Sailer, Deloris Eaton, Joan Reuter, Mary Parker, Elsie McVey, Lois Myers, Verna Eovard, Mary McVay.

Third Row (l. to r.): Shirley Vernoy, Frances Ray, Rosalie Bivens, Joan Wagy, Joan Murphy, Gloria Jennings, Patricia Butler, Carol Lee, Marlene Mitchell.

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Evelyn Johnson, Lyle Wright, Norma Jones, Margaret Wilson, Charles Cannon, Roy Woods, Carl Bovard, Anita Moon, Martha Davis, Hod O'Hern

LIBRARY

First Row (l. to r.): Mrs. Duffy, Joan Reuter, Alberta Reihm, Marlene Mitchell, Lois Smick

Second Row (l. to r.): Mary McVay, Mary McVay

Third Row (l. to r.): Carl Ehresman, Wayne Hampton, Marvin Johnson, Donald Browne

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Louis Moon, Tommy Williamson, Jerry Hatch, Paul McVay

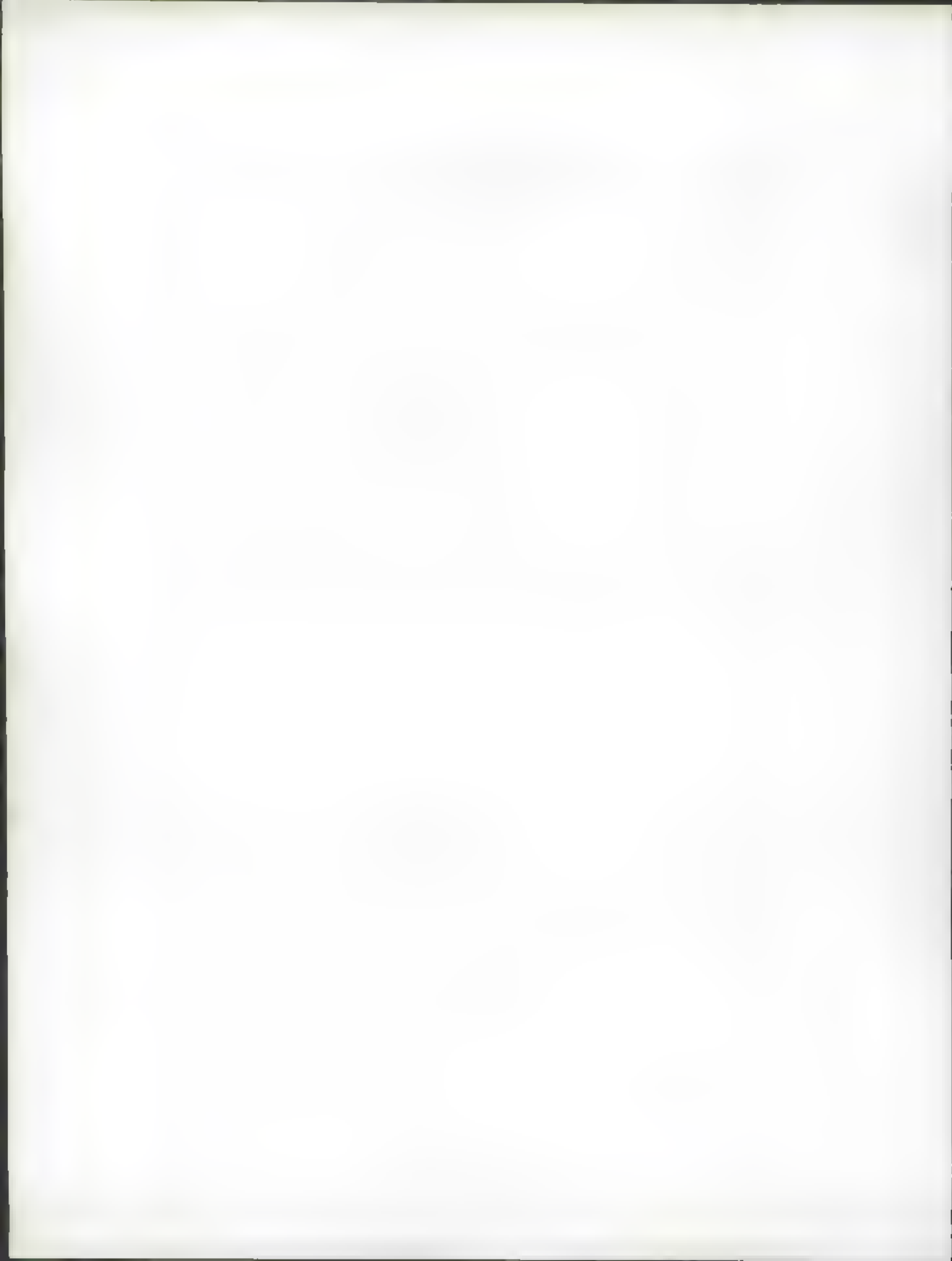
BOOMERANG STAFF

Sitting (l. to r.): Alberta Reihm, Assistant Editor; Mary McVay, Miss Bull, Advisor.

Second Row (l. to r.): John Wall, Gene Ganther, Margaret Wilson, Elsie McVey, Deloris Eaton, Lois Myers, Marlene Mitchell

Third Row (l. to r.): Charles Cannon, Roy Woods, Pauline Fullerton, Carl Eovard, Jackie Luper, Richard Asquith





SMEAR

The Smear is our school newspaper, and is published every two weeks. It includes the news of the alumni, the library, write-ups of the Senior lives, parties, class news, band and chorus, and write-ups of all sport events and games. Of course, there is that never-to-be-forgotten back page. It is called the "Scandal Page" as they see all, hear all, and tell all.

Mrs. Martha Davis is the faculty advisor. The officers are: Editor, Lois Smuck, and Co Editor, Jackie Luper.

LIBRARY

This year the library is located at the east side of the study hall. The work of checking the books in and out is taken care of by students who act as librarians, under Mrs. Ruby Duffy's management.

The members of the Librarians' Club are: Evelyn Johnson, Marvin Johnson, Frances Ray, Elsie McVey, Margaret Wilson, Marilyn Sorrells, Louis Moon, Anita Moon, Jerry Hatch, Don Browne, Lois Myers, Joan Waggy, Cynthia Sailer, Jackie Luper, Lois Smuck, Marlene Mitchell, Paul McVay, Tom Williamson, Mary McVay, Wayne Hampton, Norma Jones, Carl Ehresman, Carol Lee, Pauline Fullerton, Bertie Reihm, Roberta Powell and Joan Reuter.

BOOMERANG

The production staff for this year's Boomerang is headed by Roberta Powell as Editor, Alberta Reihm as Assistant Editor, and Virginia Hampton as Business Manager.

The work required to complete a yearbook includes such tasks as write-ups of activities and parties, setting up of picture pages, collecting snaps, keeping the calendar, and numerous other details. Additional money for the treasury was obtained through refreshment stands at football and basketball games.

They sincerely hope you appreciate their efforts to give you a bigger and better Boomerang.

OUR NATIONAL GUARD REPRESENTATIVES

We have two senior boys, Dale Williams and Bill Siler, who are members of the National Guard. Each Monday night they have their meeting at the Armory in Galesburg. Their training corresponds quite closely to the training received in the regular army. They have both been members since the organization of the 123rd F. A. Battalion of the Illinois National Guard in August, and have ratings of a Private. Their enlistment is for a period of three years.

Included in the program of learning are: Recognition of guns, care of guns and munition, first aid, and army drills.

Dale is enlisted as a truck driver and Bill as a cannoneer. Two weeks out of every year they will spend at an army camp. Last year at Camp Ellis their company received the most recognition of any company represented. This summer their two weeks will be spent in Wisconsin at Camp McCoy. It is at these camps that they actually have an application of the fundamentals learned in their weekly meetings.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

The Avon Chapter of Future Farmers of America is composed of the twenty-eight boys who are enrolled in three classes of vocational agriculture

The activities of the year were started by the Annual Homecoming Ball which was sponsored by the F. F. A. In this activity the group displayed excellent cooperation, and everything, from the original planning to the crowning of the Homecoming Queen went smoothly

In December, Avon was represented at the sectional grain Judging Contest at Pekin by Jim Hendel, Dave Luper, George Onion, Louis Moon, and Donald Browne

In December the ten senior members of the F. F. A. and the advisor spent two days in Chicago visiting the International Livestock Exposition

Other activities include the Parliamentary Procedure Contest which will be held in April with Avon acting as host, and with the State Convention and Judging Contest to be held at the University in June

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

The Chapter of Future Homemakers of America was organized with Miss R. Hughes as our sponsor, and Mrs. Giles Sailor as Chapter Mother. The officers elected President—Mary Ellen McVay, Vice President—Adeline Ethington, Treasurer—Lois Simmons, Secretary—Carole Huston, and the Scrapbook Committee—Marjorie Whisler. Early in the fall we had a slumber party at which both formal and informal initiation was held. Selling of popcorn, hot dogs and having a bake sale constituted the financial activities.

THE VARSITY CLUB

The Varsity Club was organized this year with Mr. Stearns as the faculty advisor. It is composed of those persons who have received, or would receive, an athletic letter. Each class had representatives in this club, which proved to make quite a large organization. The only social activity this year was the Christmas dance sponsored to raise money for basketball warm-up jackets. The officers are as follows: President, Bob Baker; Vice President, Eud Alden; Secretary and Treasurer, Jackie Luper.

F H A

First Row (l. to r.): Paul Sailer, Merlin Nichols, James Hendal, Dick Suter, Ray Lock, Harold McClure, Mr. Slayton, advisor.

Second Row (l. to r.): Bill Sailer, Ernie Blount, Arnold Rossell, Glenn Reed, Bob Babbitt, Don Timmerman, Roland Holsinger, George Onion, Duane Black, Keith Wagy.

Third Row (l. to r.): Louis Moon, Bob Hook, Junior Wagy, Gene Blount, Bud Alden, Dave Luper, LaVern Ross, Bill Anderson, Edwin Warren, Donald Browne.

F F A

First Row (l. to r.): Miss Hughes, advisor; Lois Simmons, Adeline Ethington, Mary McVay, Marjorie Whisler, Carol Houston, Mildred Browne

Second Row (l. to r.): Betty Balson, Marilyn Nichols, Betty Onion, Elsie McVey, Margaret Wilson, Darlene Plack, Lola Singleton, Eloise Salisbury.

Third Row (l. to r.): Marilyn Sorrels, Clarice Watson, Harriet Jennings, Norma Schrodt, Donna Shultz, Mary Parker, Blanch Young, Cynthia Sailer

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Fern Duncan, Doris Gillett, Martha Foster, Gloria Jennings, Retha Wilson, Caroline Allen, Joan Wagy, Patty Butler, Marlene Wagy, Willa Mae Parker

VARSDTY CLUB

First Row (l. to r.): Martha Davis, Frances [redacted], Clarice Watson, Evelyn Johnson, Dale Williams, Adeline Ethington, Allen [redacted] Rehm, Shirley Vernoy, Richard Stearns, advisor

Second Row (l. to r.): Rosalie Bivens, Jackie Luper, Norma Jones, Howard O'Hern, Donald Browne, Marvin Johnson, Paul McVay, Bernard O'Donnell, Bruce Dempsey, Richard Asquith, Bill Bivens.

Third Row (l. to r.): Merlin Nichols, Ray Lock, Glenn Reed, Duane Black, Don Myers, Arnold Rossell, Ervin Nelson, George Onion, Jerry Hatch, Lois Smick.

Fourth Row (l. to r.): Wayne Hampton, Bob Babbitt, Dan Williamson, Carl Ehresman, Dick Suter, John Wall, Kenny Alden, Bob Randall, Tom Williamson, Bill Anderson

Fifth Row (l. to r.): Ray Carrico, Martin Moon, Harold McClure, Bob Baker, Bud Alden, David Luper, Roy Woods, Cedric Dowell, LaVern Ross, Jim Hendal.





SENIOR CLASS PLAY

Prunella	Adeline Ethington
Pierrot	Alberta Rehm
	Bud Alden
	John Wall
Scaramel	Ray Lock
Prim	Anita Moon
Prude	Robertta Powell
Privacy	Wanda Arnold
Queer	Shirley Wolt
Quaint	Patty Butler
1st Gardener	Cedric Dowell
2nd Gardener	Lyle Wright
3rd Gardener	Dick Sater
Pov	Elmer Howard
Paritone—a hired singer	Ray Carrico
Love—a statue	Virginia Hampton

MUMMERS

Boys		Girls	
1 Hawk	M. Nichols	1 Doll	I Smek
2 Keen	D. Williams	2 Romp	P. Fullerton
3 Crow	D. Myers	3 Fowdry	J. McVay
4 Mouth	B. O'Donnell	4 Coquette	M. Whisler
5 Love	C. Bovard	Queen	B. Hite

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JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

Jay Eldridge	Howard O'Hern
Stephen Reynolds	Martin Moon
Eutch Reynolds	Dan Williamson
Hugo Wilfred	George Onion
Sascha Sevinsky	Roy Woods
Philip King	James Henkel
Damon Gottschalk	Ernie Repp
Barney Fellows	David Luper
Amanda Eldridge	Jackie Luper
Manion Eldridge	Norma Jones
Lindy Eldridge	Lois Myers
Hildred Reynolds	Mildred Brown
Madge Wilkins	Marlene Mitchell
Aie Cannon	Elsie McVey
Claire Thompson	Margaret Wilson
May Houston	Lois Simmons
Veronica Nichols	Martha Foster
Carrie Randolph	Mary Lois Murphy
Curtain Speech	Kenny Alden
Extra Girls, ...	Carole Huston, Carolyn Allen, Donna Shultz

SENIOR CLASS PLAY

The senior class play, "Prunella," was presented December 10th and 11th, under the direction of Mrs. Ruby Duffy. It was varied from the others given here recently, in that it was more of a classical play, combining lighting and costumes to make a beautiful play. It centers around Prunella, whose three old aunts do not approve of the traveling actors, called "mummers." But Prunella falls in love with the leader of the group, and as a result of the aunts' disapproval, they elope.

First Row—Dale Williams, Marjorie Whisler, Betty Hite, Barney O'Donnell, Lois Snuck, Carl Bovard

Second Row—Virginia Hampton, Ray Lock, John Wall, Alberta Reihm, Adeline Ethington, Bud Aiken

Third Row—Shirley Woltzen, Patty Butler, Lyle Wright, Cedric Dowell, Dick Suter, Anita Moon, Bobby Ann Powell, Wanda Arnold, Mrs. Duffy (director)

Fourth Row—Mary McVay, Merlin Nichols, Donny Myers, Pauline Fullerton, Ray Carico

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

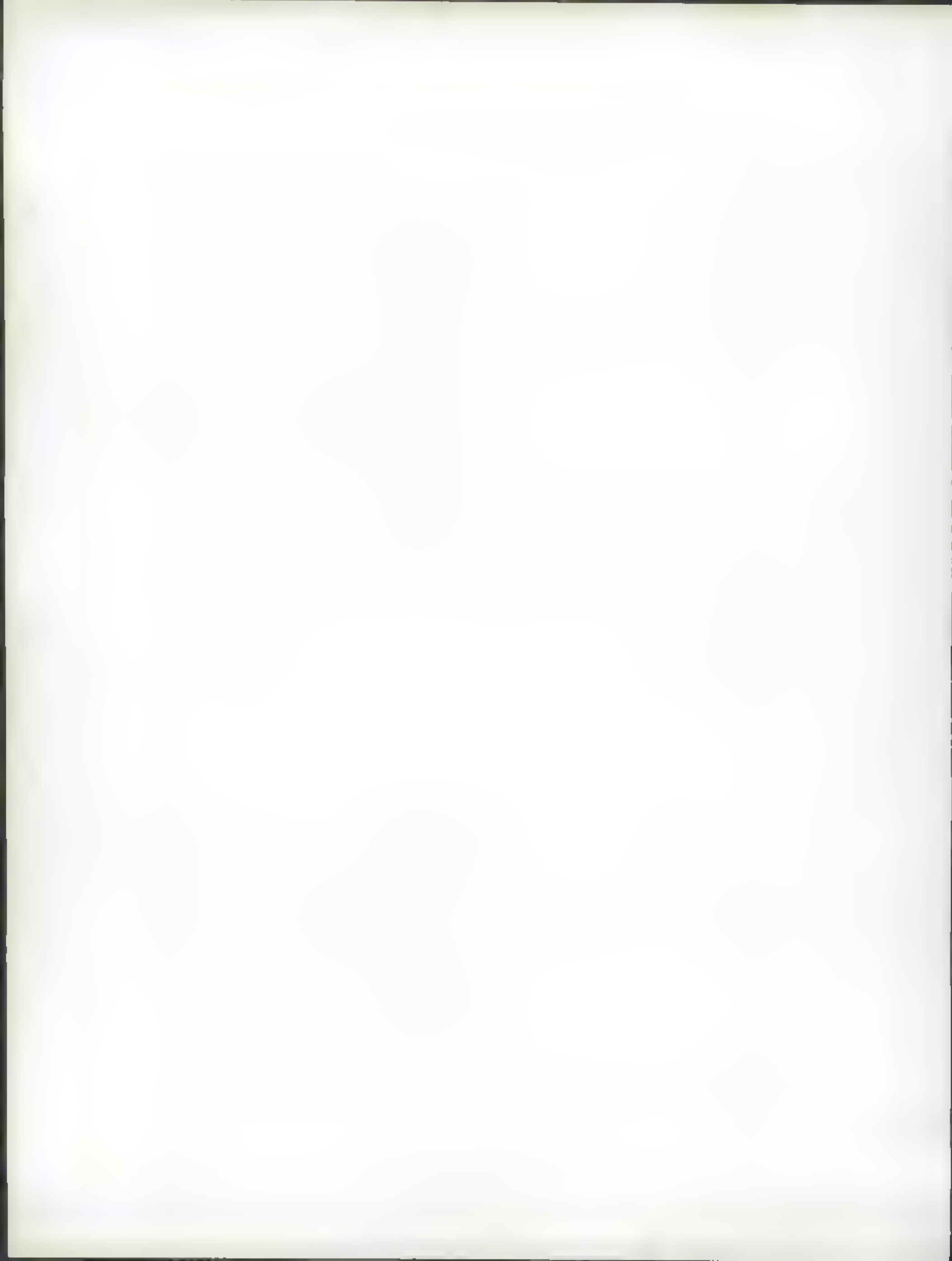
On April 16th and 17th the junior class gave "Come Over To Our House," under the direction of Mrs. Ruby Duffy. This three-act play centers around the Eldridge family; mainly around Jay, the son, who has girl and career problems to tangle with. This was a modern play, written in 1946, so it included modern jive talk, and music. With explosions and other excitement the play vends its way along, ending happily for all.

First Row—Margaret Wilson, Carole Huston, Donna Shultz, Lois Simmons, Elsie McVey, Caroline Allen

Myers, Norma Jones, Mary Lois Murphy.

To: **Ray Moon, Ernest Repp, Hod O'Hern**
 Woods, Martin Moon, Ernest Repp, Hod O'Hern





SENIOR PARTY

On October 1 an all school party was sponsored by the Senior Class

The decorations followed a carnival theme with balloons and Japanese lanterns. During the evening pop corn, candy, coke, and hot dogs were sold at stands.

The seniors climaxed a full day of freshmen initiation with a series of skits in which all freshmen and new upper classmen took part. These consisted of nursery rhymes and a story of an eligible bachelor who didn't appreciate the women in his life until it was too late. The masters of ceremonies were Alberta Rehm, Adeline Ahington, and Virginia Hampton.

The rest of the evening was filled with different kinds of dancing. Late in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Royce Davis led a grand march while Mrs. Hatch played pep songs which everyone sang.

At 10 o'clock the party was over and the buses left for home.

Everyone congratulates Mrs. Duffy and the Senior Class on a wonderful party.

HARVEST BALL

On October 25 the F. F. A. sponsored the annual Harvest Ball. It was held in the high school auditorium after the Homecoming game. Dancing started at nine o'clock.

During the evening several selections were sung by Mary Ellen McVay and Roy Woods.

The main event of the evening was the crowning of the Harvest Queen, Evelyn Johnson, by Ray Lock, the president of the F. F. A. Her attendants were Shirley Woltzen, Marjorie Whistler, Carole Huston, Lois Myers, Shirley Vernoy, Shirley Myers, and Darlene Black. The queen was chosen by the alumni and students. After the crowning of the queen, she and her attendants, escorted by the F. F. A. officers, led the grand march.

The school colors, green and white, were carried out in the decorations. Cider and sugar cookies were served during the evening.

JUNIOR PARTY

On Wednesday, November 26, an all school party was sponsored by the Junior Class. The theme of the party was a western frontier saloon, "Bar 49." Guests arrived in old fashion costumes. At the entrance were swinging doors. The study hall was decorated with Indian blankets, a bear rug, lanterns, and a bar. There were tables around two sides of the room.

Root beer, ginger ale, potato chips, and cookies were sold at the bar.

Ramer's orchestra played during the evening. Paul Jones called several sets of square dances.

The stage show was presented at various times throughout the evening. It began with Roy Woods singing, "Hello My Baby." Roy and Mary Ellen McVay sang "When You Wore a Tulip," and "My Sweetheart Is the Man in the Moon," Elsie McVey, as a torch singer, sang "Don't Be a Baby, Baby." Lois Simmons and Elsie McVey did a sister dance.

The busses left at 10 o'clock with everyone in good spirits for Thanksgiving vacation.

CHRISTMAS DANCE

On Tuesday evening, December 23, the Varsity Club sponsored a Benefit Christmas Dance for new basketball warm-up jackets. The gym was decorated in the yuletide spirit with Christmas trees, holly, mistletoe, a fireplace, and streamers.

Since the dance was public many of the alumni attended. Dancing continued from 8 to 11.

SOPHOMORE PARTY

On Wednesday evening, February 11, the Sophomores held their all school party. The name of the party was "Cupid's Hop." There were Valentine decorations throughout the room, with a large heart suspended from the ceiling. Later in the evening, the heart was lowered for the grand march, which was led by Mr. and Mrs. Royce Davis. After the couples were formed, they passed through the heart before continuing the rest of the march.

The first part of the floor show was a skit, "Making Love Through the Ages." The second part of the show was a skit, "Why the Knave of Hearts was a Hero instead of a Thief" constituted the second and last part of the floor show

Sandwiches, cokes and cookies were sold during the evening

Dancing was enjoyed the remainder of the evening. The buses made their return trip at 10 o'clock, with everyone thanking the Sophomores for a grand time

FRESHMEN PARTY

The theme of the Freshmen all school party, which was held Friday evening, March 19, was "The Mardi Gras." Decorations were carried out in this theme with balloons hung diagonally across the ceiling with a large bunch in the center. There were animal cut-outs around the walls and the blackboard was decorated with scenes from the Mardi Gras

Refreshments of pop and cookies were free to all who wore something green. Shamrocks were given to the guests when they came in. Later in the evening a door prize was given to the person with the lucky shamrock

Entertainment was scattered throughout the evening. Ramer's orchestra played for the square dances and Paul Jones called them

There were two skits during the evening, "Special Awards To Special Seniors," and one about a boxing match. There was also a bubble gum blowing contest

At a certain time the balloons in the center of the room were released and the boy and girl who caught the lucky balloons started a progressive dance

All the eighth graders and their teachers in the Unit District were guests of the Freshmen

JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

The Junior-Senior Prom was given Saturday evening, May 8 in the high school auditorium

Dance music was furnished by the Jimmy Garner orchestra. The theme of the prom was "Stairway to the Stars." Decorations were in keeping with the theme with a stairway in the middle of the room. The ceiling effect was a dome shaped sky of blue and white, with stars and a moon completing the effect

BOOMERANG CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Freshman Day. The poor things had to take tests the first day
- 1 Back in the grind but just for a half-day
- 1 First full day of school. "Brother."
- 1 Band played at Prairie City Picnic
- 1 Teachers got too hot for us; only half day of school
- 1 Barbarita, a Mexican dancer, entertained high and grade school students. See' See
- 13 First night football game. Bushnell—7. Avon—6. Band marched at half
- 1 F H A. Organization Meeting
- 19 Football game at Cuba. Avon—20, Cuba—7
- 1 Second night football game with Macomb Academy. Avon—0. M. A. —0. Band marched at half
- 1 Band wiener roast. Avondale. Boy, am I full!
- 20 F H A. Slumber Party. Ho Hum! Some people just have to snore

OCTOBER

- 1 Freshman initiation. Say! Just who are girls and who aren't. Organized staff for "Smear." School party—swell party seniors!
- 1 Wonder why everyone is sleep walking today? Track boys went to Geneseo
- 1 Yell out kids! First Pep Session
- 1 Game at Roseville today. Avon—0, Roseville—13. Sorry fellows
- 6 First play practice. Not too bad
- 1 Game with Alledo. Alledo—42, Avon—7. Band marched at half
- 10 Whoopey! No school today. Teacher's institute
- 15 Elsa Moegle, harpist, was to entertain us today but she did not come. We had to study anyway
- 18 Report cards. Boy is my face red or should I say my report card
- 1 Football game with Knoxville. Knoxville—27, Avon—20
- 20 Ray Carrico returned to school. Glad to see you back, Ray!
- 22 Junior Tests. I hate room 6
- 24 Homecoming game with Alexis. Alexis—6, Avon—6; Band marched at half in spite of the rain. Dance after the game which lasted till 1:30. Oh my aching corn
- 2 B-squad had game with Knoxville
- Avon played Abingdon tonight at Abingdon. Avon—19, Abingdon—18
- Band marched at half

NOVEMBER

- 7 Avon played at Stronghurst. Avon—21, Stronghurst—7
- Half day of school and boy is it cold
- 11 Armistice Day. Oh boy! A vacation

14. Seniors had picture taken; smile prettily!!
Band went to Galesburg to hear Marine Band. Thanks Mr. Davis
14. Elsa Moegle, harpist, gave a program for the grades and high school
16. Junior Party. Everyone had a swell time
- 21-28. Thanksgiving Vacation. Oh! That Turkey!

DECEMBER

1. David Myland, make-up artist, performed for grades and high. Everyone thought the performance was great
4. First B. B. game of season. Although the second team was defeated, our first team came through with a score like this—London Mills—31, Avon—34
7. Senior Ag. boys and Mr. Slayton went to Chicago to International Livestock Show this morning at 1:00 A. M.
8. Avon—36, Knoxville—34
- Junior Committee picked out Jr. Class rings. Boy, was that a tough job. I even have a ringing in my ears tonight!
9. Fairview—29, Avon—44
11. Seniors gave their play
11. Play night again. Everyone enjoyed the play very much. Congratulations.
12. Roseville—28, Avon—44.
13. Bushnell—34, Avon—30
14. Stronghurst—34, Avon—42
15. Chorus gave Christmas program. Everyone enjoyed it, especially, "Twas the Night Before Christmas."
19. Christmas Vacation began!
22. V. I. T.—36, Avon—45

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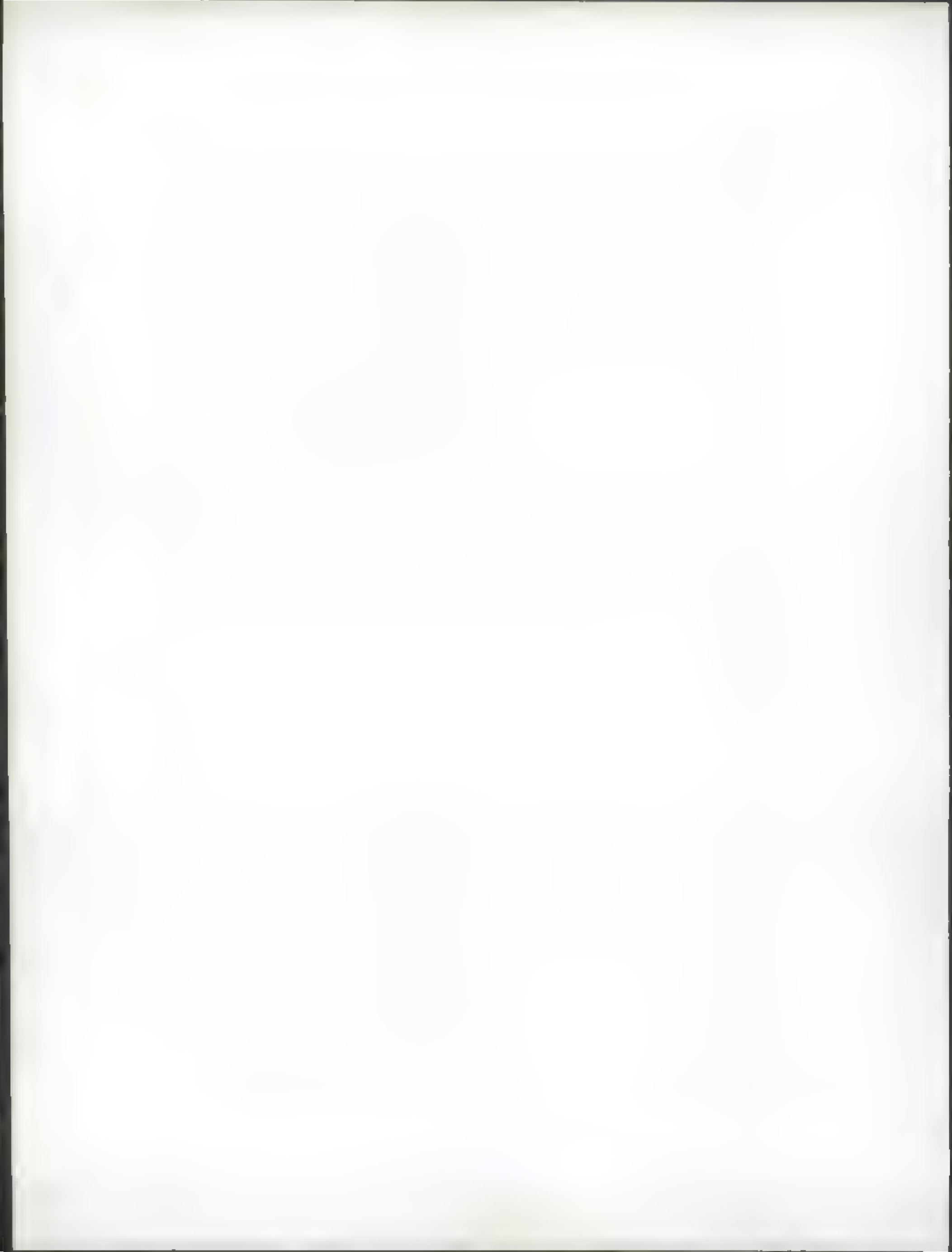
5. Oh, gosh! Back to school again
6. Roseville—38, Avon—34 (overtime)
9. Alexis—15, Avon—40
13. Cuba—28, Avon—29
- 15-16. Semester Exams
16. Knoxville—22, Avon—36
21. Astoria—28, Avon—45. (First game of County Tournament)
23. Avon—36, Farmington—30
24. Final game—Avon—30, Cuba—26. Congratulations fellows for a swell victory.

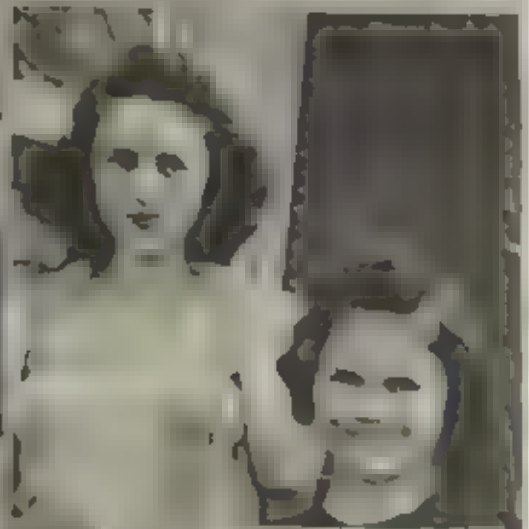
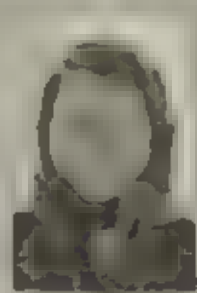
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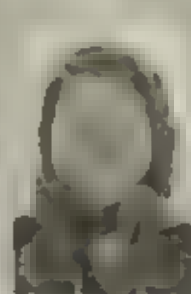
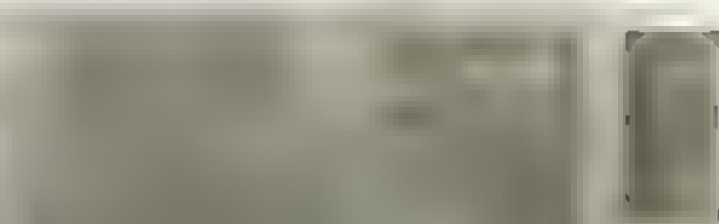
3. Bardolph—15, Avon—62
6. Aledo—33, Avon—42
10. Prairie City—27, Avon—39

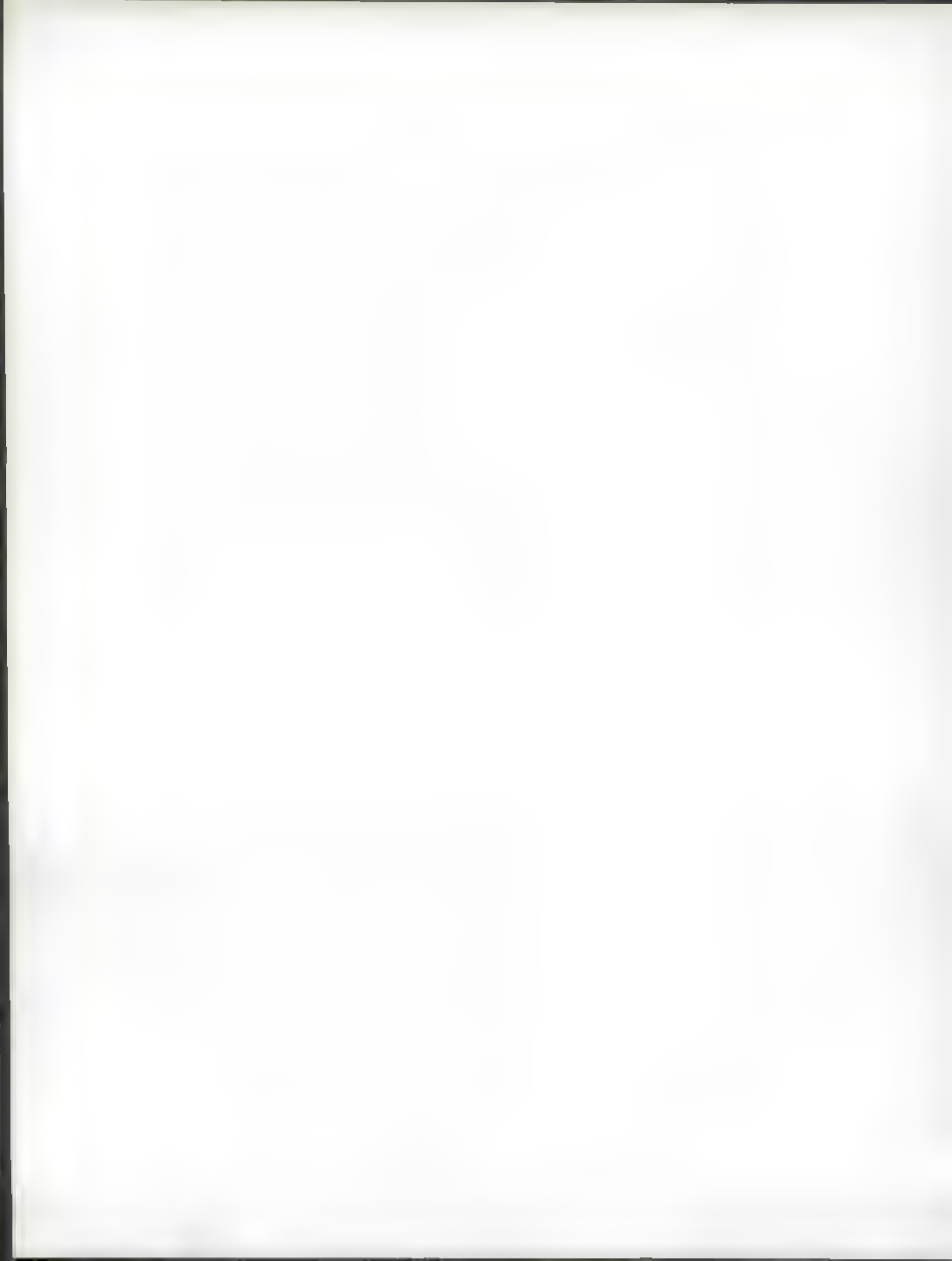
















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